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This weekly electronic newsletter is designed to keep you current on California Water Plan news. We welcome comments, suggestions and any news tips that may be of interest to water planners.

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Public draft of California Water Action Plan is posted and ready for comments

Public comments are being accepted for the latest draft of the [California Water Action Plan](#). The California Natural Resources Agency, California Environmental Protection Agency and the California Department of Food and Agriculture are working to identify key actions that will establish a foundation for sustainable management of the state's water resources. More information is available in this [news release](#).



President issues executive order to prepare nation for the effects of climate change

President Obama has issued an [executive order](#) directing federal agencies to prepare the country for the effects of climate change. It includes a nine-month time frame for several agencies to develop a list of changes needed to make the nation's watersheds more resilient in the face of a changing climate.

Tulare forum offers wide-ranging look at groundwater issues

A regional water forum covering a wide range of groundwater issues will be held Monday, Nov. 18, in Tulare. The [San Joaquin Valley Groundwater Overdraft](#) will cover regulatory concerns, sustainability issues and other topics. The event is being organized by the American Ground Water Trust.

New agenda posted for this month's CARCD meeting and conference

An updated [agenda](#) has been posted for this year's annual meeting and conference of the [California Association of Resource Conservation Districts](#) (CARCD). It will be Nov. 13-16, in Napa. The conference will focus on the balance needed to meet rural and urban resource needs. Tours during the conference will cover flood management projects, sustainable wine producing practices and forest issues.



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USACE module explains collaborative water resources modeling

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has posted a course module explaining [collaborative water resources modeling](#). Collaborative modeling combines technical analysis with traditional planning principles to assist with complex decision processes. The module was developed as part of an online graduate course at the University of Arizona. Details are in this [USACE news release](#).

Second phase completed in development of ag land stewardship strategies

Work has been completed on the second phase in developing the [Agricultural Land Stewardship Strategies and Framework](#) (links for submitting comments are available on this site). The framework looks at a voluntary approach to incorporate agricultural land stewardship plans into planning processes using a tool box of nearly three dozen [strategies](#). More information is available in the draft [executive summary](#).